

Amendments to the Abstract

Please amend the Abstract to read as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The moving picture coding apparatus includes: a flag information generation unit (112) for generating a flag indicating that values indicated by display order information POC are in non-sequential order; and a variable length coding unit (~~113~~) for performing variable length coding and other operations on the inputted coded signal and further generating a coded stream (Str) by including information such as the flag generated by the flag information generation unit (112).